



## **Creating Personal Value**

"How You Occupy Your Space"

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### **The Ultimate Differentiator**





### **Thoughts for Today**

- Time Your Personal currency
- Your Brand How you show up
- Upgrading Your Personal OS Making change
- Role of Happiness The key
- Reducing Limiters Constraints
- Relationships Intentional support

....become more deeply confused about more important things



## GROUP It's About Time!

- ✓ Activity Addiction
- ✓ Urgency Overload
- ✓ Organizational ADD
- ✓ Overchoice
- ✓ Emotional Absence
- ✓ Reflection Loss
- ✓ Excess Access
- ✓ Complexity Fatigue



Permanent Partial Distraction



# 100 Hours



# Slow Down to Speed Up



# "... to gain knowledge accumulate, to gain wisdom, eliminate"

**Chinese Proverb** 



# "... the art of being wise is the knowing of what to overlook"

19th Century Philosopher William James



## **Your Personal Brand**





#### **Global Research Project Output**

Conducted with
The London School of Economics



#### **Global Research**

#### 154 Companies, including:

























































#### **How Customers Want to Be Sold To**

#### **Company-facing skills**

- Leverage all of your assets
- Manage multi-level relationships
- Manage "virtual sales teams"
- Manage execution

#### **Customer-facing skills**

- Anticipate needs (proactive innovation)
- Listen beyond your product
- Be a consultative problemsolver
- Sell in financial value terms



#### **Conclusions:**

- Customers want to deal with Business People
- Higher order of business acumen required
- Be real

Based on research ITC, London School of Economics, The Summit Group, Inc.



## Research "Mind the Gap"

#### **What Customers Want**

- Proactive innovation
- Humility
- Honesty
- Authenticity
- Integrity & Trust
- Collaboration
- Listen
- Passion
- Understand my Business
- Perceptive Communication
- Ownership

#### **What Customers Get**

- Arrogance
- Control
- Manipulation
- Selfishness
- Lack of Respect
- Aggressiveness
- Supplier Centric
- Individualism
- Lack Of Follow-Through
- Talk
- Deflection



#### **Ultimate Personal Brand**

## **Authenticity & Integrity**

**Authenticity = Character & Competence** 

Integrity = True to Self & Real to Others

"Your Values are your Value"



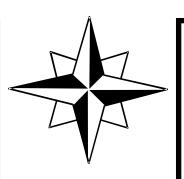
## **Personal Brand - Integrity & Authenticity**

#### Character

- ■Talk Straight Candid
- ■Demonstrate Respect
- ■Right Wrongs
- ■Show Loyalty
- ■Keeps Commitments

#### **True to Self**

- Earnest
- Consistent
- ■Self Directed
- Accurate



#### **Real to Others**

- ■Trustworthy
- Honest
- Compassionate
- ■Transparent

#### **Competence**

- ■Deliver Results
- ■Get Better
- ■Confront reality
- Clarify Expectations
- Accountability
- ■Listen First
- ■Concise



#### **Personal Brand Management - External**

#### **Relational Realties**

1st Rule: Knowledge gives you access

2nd Rule: Execution ensures you stay

3rd Rule: Relationships are built from

delivery of value; past, present and future

4th Rule: Rapport is not commitment

5th Rule: Business impact transcends personal relationships

6th Rule: Partner with Confidence



#### **Personal Brand Truths**

- You get what you accept
- You train others how to view you
- You must understand your "Signature Strengths"
- It is hard to serve if you're unhappy

What You've done is what you are

What You do is what you become



## **Personal Integrity**

## **DWYSYWDWYSYWDI**



#### **Personal Brand Assessment**

<u>Integrity</u>
Who you really are. Consistency in belief and behaviors
My Rating Who do you know?
<u>Intent</u>
Genuine concern and care for others.
My Rating Who do you know?
Capabilities
Capacities that inspire confidence. Signature Strengths applied
My Rating Who do you know?
, <u> </u>
Results
Your track record. Majoring in the Majors.
My Rating Who do you know?
, <u> </u>
Self Honesty
You do what you truly know is right.
My Rating Who do you know?
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Self-Directed
Do what needs to be done vs waiting to be told what to do.
My Rating Who do you know?
999
Transparency
Courageous vulnerability and conversations. Let others know.
My Rating Who do you know?
, <u>g</u> <u>, </u>
<u>Trustworthy</u>
Do what you say you will do when you say you will do it.
My Rating Who do you know?



# Your Personal Operating System



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#### Them

- What do they care about?
- What issues are on their short list?
- What will be important to them?
- What value do they rely on to win?

#### • Us

What do you have?

#### Fit

How does what you have impact what they care about?

#### Proof

How do you articulate and validate this?

Be Interested, not Interesting



## The "Change Exchange" Decision

#### COST OF CHANGE vs. VALUE OF CHANGE

$$D + V + P - C$$

D = Dissatisfaction with the current state

**V** = Vision of the future state

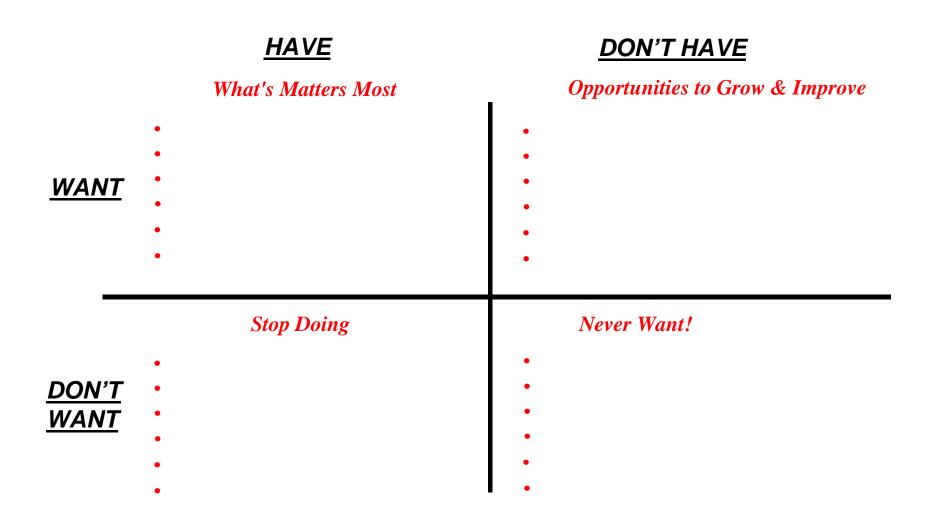
P = Path forward

**C** = Cost of change/inaction

"create a logic that overwhelms nostalgia"



## **My Personal Blueprint**





### **Building Your Personal Value in '08**

- 1. What is the <u>one</u> aspect in your personal and work lives, that if elevated, would bring greater value to you?
- 2. What is the value of making the change (WIFM)?
- 3. What is the cost of change?
- 4. What is the cost of inaction?
- 5. Who do I need to help me?



# **Happiness**

## The Alchemy of Joy

1. 
$$S = H$$

2. 
$$H = G + SS \times (Higher Purpose)$$

3. 
$$U = E - R$$

4. High A & Low E



## **Limiters**

#### **Life Limiters**

- 1. Regret over the Past
- 2. Resentment in the Present
- 3. Fear of the Future



# Relationships



## **Frienemies**

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#### **Your Personal Board of Directors**

Who are the people who care enough about you to tell you what you need to hear, not want to hear and will hold you accountable?



- 1. Name the five wealthiest people in the world.
- 2. Name the last five winners of the Miss Universe Pageant.
- 3. Name five people who have won the Nobel or Pulitzer Prize
- 4. Name the last five winners of the World Cup.



- 1. List a few teachers who aided your journey through school.
- 2. Name three friends who have helped you through a difficult time.
- 3. Name five people who have taught you something worthwhile.
- 4. Think of three people who have made you feel appreciated and special.



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They are the ones that care!!



# "You were born an original, don't let the world make you into a carbon copy"

Rick Warren "A Purpose Driven Life"